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PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Timothy M. JOHNS et al.) Group Art Unit: 3611
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Application No.: 10/781,629) Examiner: Yeagley, Daniel S.
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Filed: February 20, 2004)
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For: LIFTING SYSTEMS AN) Confirmation No.: 4131
METHODS FOR USE WITH A)
HITCH MECHANISM)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants petition for a three month extension of time to reply to the Office
action of October 11, 2005. A fee of \$1,020.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge
any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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